

Pool - Lightning & Thunder Policy

The Canal Winchester Municipal Pool follows the National Lightning Safety Institute's recommended **LIGHTNING & THUNDER POLICY**.

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When **THUNDER** is heard, the **pool should be cleared** and there will be a grace period of **30 MINUTES**. Every time that thunder is heard the 30 MINUTE time will start over.

When **LIGHTNING** is seen, the **pool deck should be cleared**. The patrons are asked to move to a safer area and there will be a grace period of **30 MINUTES**. Every time that lightning is seen, the 30 MINUTE time will start over.

During Storms

- Patrons should seek shelter and stay away from tall trees or objects, metal objects, standing pools of water and open fields
- Land line telephones should only be used in emergency situations
- Avoid using locker room showers as lightning can travel through plumbing

Storm Facts

- ALL thunderstorms produce lightning and are dangerous
- Lightning often strikes as far as 10 miles away from rainfall
- You are in danger of lightning if you can hear thunder
- Lightning's behavior is random and unpredictable
- Lightning can travel sideways for up to 10 miles, even when the sky looks blue & clear
- Pools are connected to a much larger surface area via underground water pipes, gas lines, electric and telephone wiring. Lightning strikes to the ground anywhere on this metallic network may induce shocks elsewhere.

For the safety of our guests, no new guests will be allowed to enter the pool when it is under a weather delay.

No refunds for weather are given. No exceptions will be made to this rule.